

AGN NO. _____

MOTION BY CHAIR HILDA L. SOLIS

December 15, 2015

The County of Los Angeles commemorates the life and work of American hero Cesar E. Chavez with its 15th Annual Cesar E. Chavez Community Service Week, themed “Service to Others”, from Thursday, March 24 to Thursday, March 31, 2016.

During the week-long celebration, the County offers activities that include volunteer opportunities; a food/fund drive; free cultural events; and art and literacy programs for youth at County parks, libraries, and Probation camps.

In honor of Chavez’s dedication to community service, employees may volunteer for needed services throughout the community from March 28 to 31, 2016. The volunteer opportunities include, but are not limited to, the following agencies: access centers serving the homeless like the Weingart Center for the Homeless; the County’s distribution agencies, such as Brotherhood Crusade and Community Health Charities; local food banks to assist with food distribution at sites such as the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank; and beautification and clean-up projects at local parks.

Ridley-Thomas_____

Kuehl _____

Knabe _____

Antonovich _____

Solis _____

- M O R E -

The County also partners with the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank in their effort to supply food for low-income families, senior citizens, and individuals by holding a food/fund drive for employees to donate online and drop off goods at the main food bank.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD:

1. Proclaim March 24 to 31, 2016, as Cesar E. Chavez Community Service Week throughout the County with the theme "Service to Others;"
2. Authorize the Chief Executive Office, Office of Workplace Programs & Marketing (WPM), to work with County Departments to coordinate and support Cesar E. Chavez Community Service Week activities, including the food/fund drive;
3. Instruct WPM to develop a list of volunteer opportunities with an emphasis on non-profit agencies for County employee participation and distribute the list to all County departments;
4. Waive parking fees, excluding liability insurance, in the amount of \$1,400 for up to 70 vehicles (35 for each meeting) to The Music Center Garage for department coordinators attending the Cesar E. Chavez Week Coordinators Training Meeting on February 9, 2016, and wrap-up meeting on April 19, 2016;
5. Authorize the Chief Executive Office's Public Information Office (PIO) to coordinate with WPM, Board Offices, County Department PIOs, and participating non-profit agencies to promote the Cesar E. Chavez Community

-M O R E-

Service Week volunteer opportunities among County employees through the following marketing efforts: e-mail blasts, departmental newsletters, bulletin boards, the County intranet, mylacounty.gov, and other forms of employee communication; invite the press to cover stories of County employees at volunteer sites; and publicize the free arts and cultural events week to the public countywide through the press, County website, department web sites as appropriate, and marketing materials; and

6. Instruct the Chief Executive Office's PIO to provide marketing materials support such as a master calendar flyer of the Cesar E. Chavez Community Service Week's free countywide cultural events and arts programming for the general public to be distributed through the County's parks, libraries and community centers.

- ### -